HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 716 By McMillan

A RESOLUTION to honor Mr. Carl Cullen Earnest for exemplary service as a Governor's Legislative Intern.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this body should pause in its deliberations to honor and commend certain individuals who through model character personify idealism and endless work ethic for the state of Tennessee as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Carl Cullen Earnest is one such individual who through his dedication and hard work has been an asset of the utmost degree to the staff of the Legislative Office of Governor Phil Bredesen and the entire staff of the Tennessee General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, a native of Nashville, Tennessee he attended David Lipscomb High School and Middle Tennessee State University, where he was highly regarded not only by his peers, but also by the faculty and administration as well. Mr. Earnest achieved academic excellence while majoring in Political Science and minoring in Criminal Justice; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Earnest was active in numerous extracurricular activities while attending Middle Tennessee State University; he completed internships at the Nashville Chamber of Commerce office of Government Relations and the Tennessee Board of Regents Legislative Affairs office; and

WHEREAS, Cullen is an avid supporter of and contributor to local Nashville youth sports, the David Lipscomb University athletics department, and has been an active participant and contributor to the Middle Tennessee Room In the Inn program; and

WHEREAS, after ending his internship with the legislative office of the Governor, he plans to continue working in political affairs and his display of intellectual aptitude and ambition as an intern with the Governor's office surely bodes well for his future success throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government, Cullen Earnest brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2003 session of the One Hundred Third General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Earnest's success as a legislative intern is directly attributable to his reliance upon the time honored values of hard work, common sense, and to his exceptional ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Cullen found his intern experience to be most rewarding, and this extraordinary young man has excelled in each of his appointed duties; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE
SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and congratulate Carl Cullen Earnest for

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outstanding service as a legislative intern for the Legislative Office of Governor Phil Bredesen and extend to him our most sincere wishes for every future success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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